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This application has been examined	Responsive to communication filed	on/0/14/88	This action is made final.			
A shortened statutory period for response to t Failure to respond within the period for respo			m the date of this letter. 2, 133			
Part I THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMEN L Notice of References Cited by Ex 3. Notice of Art Cited by Applicant, 5. Information on How to Effect Draw	PTO-1449 4	Notice re Patent Draw Notice of informal Pat	ing, PTO-948. ent Application, Form PTO-152			
Part II SUMMARY OF ACTION			•			
1. Claims	5	·	are pending in the application.			
Of the above, claims			are withdrawn from consideration.			
2. Claims			have been cancelled.			
3. Claims			are allowed.			
4. Claims	15		are rejected.			
5. Claims						
7. This application has been filed w	rith informal drawings which are acceptabl	e for examination purpo	ises until such time as allowable subject			
	been indicated, formal drawings are require	ed in response to this (Office action.			
	The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on These drawings are ☐ acceptable; not acceptable (see explanation).					
	The proposed drawing correction and/or the proposed additional or substitute sheet(s) of drawings, filed on has (have) been approved by the examiner. disapproved by the examiner (see explanation).					
the Patent and Trademark Office corrected. Corrections <u>MUST</u> be	The proposed drawing correction, filed					
12. Acknowledgment is made of the c	claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. Th	e certified copy has	been received not been received			
	tion, serial no.					
 Since this application appears to be in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213. 						
14. Other						

EXAMINER'S ACTION

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Claims 1-15 are present in the application.

The amendments to the claims filed October 14, 1988 have been received but have not been entered since they are not in proper reissue form. Note 37 CFR 1.121 and MPEP Section 1453.

Claims 1-15 are again rejected under 35 USC 251 as being based upon a defective reissue Declaration for reasons of record as set forth page 2 of the Office action of July 21, 1988.

Applicant's arguments have been carefully considered but are not deemed persuasive. The comments are not clear whether applicant is addressing the question of a defective oath or the properness of the reissue application under 35 USC 251 as to the type of subject matter which may be claimed. The defects in the oath/declaration have not been corrected and the arguments do not demonstrate error in the holding. Therefore, the rejection is adhered to.

Claims 7-15 are again rejected under 35 USC 112, first and second paragraph for reasons of record as set forth at pages 3-4 of the Office action of July 21, 1988. These rejections are deemed likely to be overcome by the proper submission of the amendments as filed October 14, 1988.

Claims 7-15 are again rejected under 35 USC 103 for reasons of record as set forth on pages 5-6 of the office action of July 21, 1988. This rejection is deemed

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likely to be overcome by the proper submission of the amendments filed October 14, 1988.

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new grounds of rejection. Accordingly, THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. See MPEP 706.07(a).

Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a). The practice of automatically extending the shortened statutory period an additional month upon the filing of a timely first response to a final rejection has been discontinued by the Office. See 1021 TMOG 35.

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS FINAL ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ACTION. IN THE EVENT A FIRST RESPONSE IS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION AND THE ADVISORY ACTION IS NOT MAILED UNTIL AFTER THE END OF THE THREE-MONTH SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD, THEN THE SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD WILL EXPIRE ON THE DATE THE ADVISORY ACTION IS MAILED, AND ANY EXTENSION FEE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE CALCULATED FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THE ADVISORY ACTION. IN NO EVENT WILL THE STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE EXPIRE LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner D.W. Robinson at telephone number 703-557-1752.

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